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## Two school bus crashes land kids, drivers in hospital

**COLLISION** Four children were rushed to hospital yesterday morning, following two separate school bus crashes minutes apart.

The first crash occurred at the intersection of 97 Street and 132 Avenue at around 7:50 a.m. and involved a school bus with four special-needs children on board. No injuries were reported.

The second crash took place near 79 Street and 82 Avenue about five minutes later, involving a school bus and an SUV.

Four children, between the ages of eight and eleven, were taken to hospital with minor, soft-tissue injuries.

Both drivers were taken to hospital with minor injuries. **METRO EDMONTON**

## Riding the Recession

Looking for ways to save money and ride out the economic storm? Now through the end of March, Metro will share advice on how to cut down on expenses and navigate your way through the recession.

• Entertainment  
The effect the economy is having on music venues and touring artists, pg 16

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Food – Some tips for brown-bagging lunches.



Style

From goals

...to gowns



Cassie Campbell, former Team Canada women's hockey captain, gets fitted yesterday by designer Pam Chorley for the Heart Truth fashion show. Campbell was one of many celebrities modelling a red dress in support of women's heart health at last night's second annual Heart Truth fashion show during Toronto Fashion Week.

# Dog owner convicted

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**When police freed Dreyfus from the sweltering heat of a locked vehicle, the 15-year-old golden retriever lay helpless in a pool of his own urine, too exhausted to walk.**

Yesterday, his owner was convicted of causing an animal distress for the June 2006 incident, which nearly took the dog's life.

"He was in bad shape — if he was left in longer, he could have suffered heat stroke and died," said Edmonton Humane Society spokeswoman Shawna Randolph.

As the mercury rises in the summer, so do complaints of animals trapped in hot cars. When Dreyfus was found on the 21-degree afternoon, a window had been left open a crack, and his owner had been gone for 2½ hours running

errands.

Frantic bystanders called police, who freed the debilitated animal. He was taken to the shelter, where he was treated, and released back to his owner after two days of recovery.

The conviction is bitter-sweet for officials, who say it will inspire animal protection officers to become more liberal with charges.

"This is a precedent-setting case," Randolph said. Since the original

charges were laid, the Humane Society hasn't filed any others for similar incidents. No pets have been found in a situation as dire and dangerous as Dreyfus'.

Officers respond to about 20 calls a month in the summer, from bystanders who find pets trapped inside vehicles.

Gregory McMeekin of Hay River, NWT, was fined \$1,500 for the crime. He could not be reached for comment yesterday.

## Homelessness cash won't be spent in one shot: Stelmach

**HOUSING** Alberta will move ahead with its lofty \$3.3-billion homelessness strategy, but it warned housing agencies not to expect all of the cash for needed projects over the next fiscal year.

Premier Ed Stelmach says the 10-year plan to end homelessness in the province is a priority of the government's since the issue is costing millions to "taxpayers."

"You'll find the budget will reflect the priorities that we've established," said Stelmach to reporters yesterday. "We're going to continue to invest in those priorities."

The province's plan will include 8,000 new housing units across the province that will hover around \$1.3 billion, while operating costs for the units will cost \$2.1 billion over the next 10 years.

Stelmach said the plan is a priority, but wouldn't say how much would be committed when the budget is tabled April 7.

"This is our number 1 priority," said Stelmach. "...There is an immense cost to the taxpayer."

The plan also calls for a provincewide Internet system that tracks information about homeless people and less red tape for those individuals who are trying to access government programs.

JEFF CUMMINGS/METRO

# TAX TIP #28

## Transfer eligible income tax credits to your spouse

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Legendary metal group Black Label Society is playing tonight at the Edmonton Events Centre. Tickets are still available through Ticketmaster for \$38.50. **METRO EDMONTON**

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# Local



## Snow Valley extends season

Edmonton's most widely used outdoor winter recreation destination, Snow Valley, will remain open until April 3, with new hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. A massive dump of snow late in the season has extended ski and snowboard conditions. Snow Valley will hold Greasy Rail Jam on Saturday, with prizes for the best skiers and boarders.

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### Eight years in jail for convicted carjacker

**JUSTICE** A man who jacked a car and shot the owner in the leg before Christmas was handed an eight-year prison term yesterday.

Lee James Lauman, 29, pleaded guilty to charges of robbery with a firearm.

He responded to an ad for a car for sale, and pulled a gun on the owner during a test drive.

The victim dove out of the moving vehicle just off Highway 60 near Devon and was shot in the leg.

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What's online today.

**Video** Cabinet ministers meet suspected Taliban militant during Afghanistan visit at [metronews.ca/canada](http://metronews.ca/canada)

**Video** Recovery mission ends after last victim of chopper crash is brought to St. John's at [metronews.ca/canada](http://metronews.ca/canada)

**Video** Protests get heated during George W. Bush's Calgary visit at [metronews.ca/canada](http://metronews.ca/canada)



# Calgary divided over Bush

JENNIFER HILLIKER  
for Metro Canada

**Those lucky enough to be part of the elite 1,500 who purchased an invitation-only \$400 seat to hear George W. Bush's speech in Calgary yesterday thought the former president spoke honestly and from the heart.**

While Bush kicked off his unofficial image rehabilitation tour inside the Telus Convention Centre, about 300 protesters gathered outside with signs and chants. Some tried to intimidate the speech-goers waiting in line by chanting, "You should be ashamed."

"It's just a small percentage of people who protest," said Wes Rein heller, who attended Bush's speech. "On the flip side, I see a lineup here that's half a mile long — and this is where it's at. I'm here in support of what he's done for the past eight years."

Police arrested four protesters at the event for various charges, including violations of a public behaviour bylaw and breaching the peace. In total, 79 po-



Protesters and supporters meet face-to-face yesterday in downtown Calgary as former U.S. president George W. Bush speaks at a \$400-a-plate luncheon at the Telus Convention Centre.

lice officers, RCMP and members of the Secret Service ensured Bush had a safe visit to Calgary, according to Duty Insp. Rob Williams.

Though the protest was rowdy, the impassioned crowd was generally peaceful.

"We are showing Bush he's not welcome in Cal-

gary. When I see this many wealthy Calgarians lined up to see Bush, it's disappointing," said protester Roberts Scobel.

The main topics Bush covered in his speech were the economy, Canada-U.S. relations and life after the presidency.

"I was really impressed," Peter Fuerbringer said after

hearing the speech. "I didn't know exactly what to expect — he is tremendously charismatic. He's able to laugh at himself, and he didn't pull any punches either. He spoke from the heart, and you really got a sense for the person he is. Love him, hate him, don't really care — it didn't matter."

### CapitalCare workers need help: Officials

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**JOB FAIR** Health-care workers behind the scenes are burning the candle at both ends, officials say, and help is needed immediately.

"In hard times you just do the work," said CapitalCare spokeswoman Bernadette DeSantis. "We can compensate them and pay them overtime, but they're tired and are hanging on by their fingernails."

CapitalCare needs dozens of support workers for assisted-living facilities, nursing homes and hospitals.

"Our people wouldn't eat if it weren't for them ... (they) are vital."

When the economy was booming, support workers headed north for higher-paying jobs, leaving a gaping staff hole in their wake.

As layoffs spiral near big oil productions, officials hope workers will trickle back to Edmonton and fill positions within the health-care industry.

A career fair will be held today from 3 to 7 p.m. at CapitalCare Lynnwood (8740 - 165 St.).



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# Car crashes a top killer: Expert

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**Traffic collisions in Canada claim the lives of people under the age of 35 more than any diagnosed disease — a reason why decision-makers must pay more attention to fix the problem, says an American traffic expert.**

Deborah Girasek, an associate professor at the Uniformed Services University of Health and Sciences in Maryland, said deaths from collisions receive little attention and fewer resources compared to other public health problems.

"This is a big problem and you wouldn't think it with how our society is set

up," said Girasek before her address to dozens of traffic experts at Edmonton's International Conference on Urban Traffic Safety.

Girasek said government leaders often focus too much on further punishing "guilty" drivers in creating laws to prevent collisions and current awareness campaigns to remind

motorists about bad driving because it lacks "any scientific foundation."

"Most drivers think they are above-average drivers, and there's a lot of data to suggest that ... but the safety campaigns target bad drivers," said Girasek.

Girasek praised a few campaigns in Edmonton, including its fatality sign campaign.



Scene of a collision at 79 Street and 101 Avenue Tuesday morning in the Forrest Heights neighbourhood. Both police and EMS were on scene.

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### Pocklington gives up his passport

**CRIME** Peter Pocklington, who is wearing an electronic ankle bracelet, has surrendered his passport to law officials under conditions of his bail, according to filings from U.S. District Court.

The former Edmonton Oilers owner has also been banned from airports, bus terminals and railway stations. The 67-year-old is accused of bankruptcy fraud and he was released on a \$1-million bail last week that was posted by former Oilers GM Glen Sather.

### Former Mountie sues over trauma

**MAYERTHORPE** A former Mountie is suing the RCMP over trauma he suffered after four of his co-workers were fatally gunned down in a Quonset near Mayerthorpe.

In a statement of claim, former constable Allen Starman witnessed the aftermath of the shooting and he suffered from nervous shock after the murder of the four officers.

The Mountie was discharged from the RCMP in 2007 over medical reasons.

Cpl. Jeff Whipple, who was also on scene when gunmen James Roszko killed the four Mounties, launched a similar lawsuit.

### Liberals raise alarm over lottery grants

**POLITICS** Laurie Blakeman, a deputy leader with the Alberta Liberals, believes that documents she obtained through a FOIP request raises alarms over Tory MLAs using lottery grants like a slush fund.

"Cabinet members get to choose grant recipients, the amounts they receive, and they control the timing of grant announcements," said Blakeman.

Premier Ed Stelmach said in question period yesterday that the process of obtaining grants is fair as it's done independently thought ministry staff.

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## Heritage minister criticizes CBC

Federal Heritage Minister James Moore used a Sunday television appearance in Quebec to criticize the amount of U.S. programming on the CBC. "I don't like it when I see the CBC cancelling Canadian content, and we see Jeopardy! and Wheel of Fortune," Moore said. **REUTERS**

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# Canada



## Health claims hurting fish: Report

Claims about the human health benefits of eating more fish may be causing more environmental and social harm than good, according to a University of British Columbia study published yesterday in the *Canadian Medical Association Journal*. The health claims appear to be overblown, and many of the studies make people ignore the pressure increased consumption puts on dwindling global fish stocks, researchers say. **REUTERS**

## Crash kills three Canadians

Truck collides with tourist bus, police say truck driver was drunk

Three Canadians, seven Americans and a Mexican bus driver are dead after their bus was hit by a truck — whose driver police allege was drunk — in northern Mexico, officials said yesterday.

The bus was carrying 23 American and Canadian tourists when a cargo truck swerved into its lane Monday and slammed into it head on, said an official from the civil protection agency. The crash occurred about 50 kilometres from Saltillo in the state of Coahuila.

Seventeen more were injured, some of them in serious condition, the official said.

The three Canadians to perish in the crash are being identified as Robert



Red Cross paramedics remove an injured person from the site of a Monday bus accident on the outskirts of Saltillo in the Mexican state of Coahuila.

Lacas, 56, of Quebec City; Carolyn Kowaleski, 68, of Caledonia, Ont.; and Marilyn Jackson, 67, of Van-

couver. The bus, which had departed McAllen, Texas, was carrying tourists to

the colonial mining town of Zacatecas, located in central Mexico.

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## Chopper debate can wait: MacKay

**PAUL MCLEOD**  
Metro Canada



**HELICOPTER** The time to re-evaluate helicopter use after the tragic accident off the coast of Newfoundland is later, said Defence Minister Peter MacKay yesterday in Halifax.

He said for now the government is focusing on mourning the 17 people who lost their lives.

"The short answer is no. At this point I don't believe there's anything that has

been discovered," MacKay said when asked if he would be making changes to helicopter personnel deliveries. "But look, clearly there is going to be an investigation."

"They have not yet recovered the wreckage of the Sikorsky aircraft, (but there will be an investigation into) not only the recovery, but ... what was the cause."

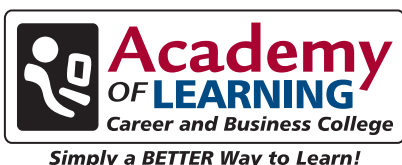
Of the 16 passengers and two crew personnel, only one person was found alive and he remains in critical but stable condition.

### News in brief

**FUNERAL** Roughly 1,000 relatives, friends and community members filled a Toronto church yesterday morning to remember and mourn Marc Diab, who was the 112th Canadian soldier to die in Afghanistan since 2002.

**JACKPOT?** An Ontario man is suing the province's gaming corporation for \$42.9 million after he hit the jackpot on a slot machine but was denied his prize. The corporation says the slot machine was malfunctioning.

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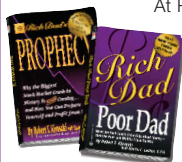
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Ethnic stat collecting causes furor

French President Nicolas Sarkozy has caused an uproar with plans to collect statistics on ethnic origins to help minorities, an official within his government said. **CBC NEWS ONLINE**

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# World

## Condoms no solution for AIDS: Pope

Pope Benedict yesterday reaffirmed the Roman Catholic Church's opposition to the use of condoms in the fight against AIDS as he started a visit to Africa, where more than 25 million people have died from the disease in recent decades.

The Pope, who arrived to a tumultuous welcome in the capital of Cameroon, also said the continent's people were suffering disproportionately due to the global challenges of food shortages, financial crises and climate change.

"It (AIDS) cannot be overcome by the distribution of condoms. On the contrary, they increase the problem," he said in response to a question about the Church's widely contested position against the use of condoms.

His words were some of his most explicit on the use of condoms to stop the

### In America...

• With a large poor and minority population, Washington D.C. has struggled with HIV for decades. A recent report showed the number of people with HIV infections rose 22 per cent from 2006 to 2007.

spread of AIDS since his election in 2005.

The Church teaches that fidelity within heterosexual marriage, chastity and abstinence are the best ways to stop AIDS. It does not approve condoms, but some Church leaders have been calling for allowing their use in rare cases between married heterosexual couples where one partner has the disease.

With the number of practising Catholics dwindling in the developed world, Africa is seen as vital to the Church's future.

REUTERS

### Austria Grim charges



Defendant Josef Fritzl arrives for his trial in Sankt Poelten, Austria, yesterday. Fritzl, a 73-year-old Austrian who locked his daughter in a cellar for 24 years and fathered seven children with her, pleaded guilty to incest, but denied murdering a newborn son who died underground.

## Russia to boost nuclear forces

**MILITARY** Russian President Dmitry Medvedev said yesterday that Russia would rearm its military and boost its nuclear forces despite the raging economic crisis because U.S.-led NATO is expanding toward its borders.

Moscow has sent con-

flicting signals to Washington since the election of Barack Obama as U.S. president.

The Kremlin says it wants to improve ties with the White House, but it has also taken steps to stem rising U.S. clout in ex-Soviet states.

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## Province to have democracy back

**PAKISTAN** The Pakistani government will restore democracy quickly in its biggest and politically most important province as part of reconciliation efforts, Prime Minister Yousaf Raza Gilani said yesterday.

Gilani announced on Monday that the government had agreed to reinstate a former chief justice dismissed in 2007.

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### News in brief

**SRI LANKA** Tamil Tiger separatists counterattacked with a failed suicide bombing in clashes that killed at least 14 rebels and more than 1,500 refugees fled Sri Lanka's war zone, the military said.

**COMPENSATION** The Internal Revenue Service issued new rules yesterday that would allow victims of Ponzi schemes like the one run by Bernard Madoff to recoup some money by claiming theft losses on tax returns for 2008.

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## Comment

# Prehistoric ideas need to evolve



## The WestView

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Meet Hesperonychus elizabethae, the smallest dinosaur ever to stalk the Jurassic jungles of North America.

Hesperonychus lived 75 million years ago, weighed about two kilograms and stood about 50 centime-

tres tall. He was the equivalent of a prehistoric chicken, complete with feathers.

Only much nastier. Hesperonychus was a tiny, perfect relative of Velociraptor, the ferocious thug featured in the Jurassic Park movies, and came equipped with its cousin's sharp claws and teeth. You wouldn't want to run into a flock of these dino-mites.

Hesperonychus was discovered by Canadian Nick Longrich, a paleontologist at the University of Calgary, who did his fieldwork by rummaging around in a drawer.

Apparently the little dino's bones had been dug up in 1982, but no one took a close look at the little hip bone in question until 2007 when Longrich acted on a hunch.

Previous paleontologists had taken a pass, believing it to be from a juvenile of a known species, but Longrich noted discoveries of small dinos in Asia, and wondered why no one had found their North American relatives.

Like, um, a dog with a bone, he deduced that it represented a whole new species.

A very Canadian discov-

ery, this.

A four-pound prehistoric chicken discovered at the back of a drawer in a university lab.

What's so important about this fierce, but fortunately extinct little beast?

Well, it begins to paint a more complete picture of the Jurassic ecology; it tells us more about the ancestors of our feathered friends, and it reminds us that big things come in small packages.

Longrich himself sees an object lesson — Hesperonychus avoided detection, even if it was right under our noses all this

time, because of something he calls "collecting bias" — paleontologists are human too, so they spend most of their time looking for T-Rex and have a tendency to ignore such tiny treasures.

It takes a Canadian sensibility, I guess, to think small enough.

I hate to end this on a depressing note, but of course this discovery has prompted the people who learned their natural history studying the Flintstones, to state with conviction that Hesperonychus could not be 75 million years old, because as

any idiot knows God created the world only 6013 years ago, and it took him seven days to do it.

It's hard to believe that such stupidity and lucidity can co-exist at the same time in the same nation, but that's evolution for you.

I remain confident that natural selection will take care of the former, and advance the latter.

Paul Sullivan is a Vancouver-based journalist and owner of Sullivan Media Consulting; vancouverletters@metronews.ca.

## Word on the street: What outdoor activity do you most look forward to once the weather warms up?

Paul Grossi

age 25, Toronto

A: Drinking sangrias on a patio at 11:30 a.m. and then going to work and pretending I didn't.

John Crouch

age 22, Toronto

A: Going to the pool at the Four Seasons, and go-karting at The Docks.

Brittney Williams

age 20, Calgary

A: I don't need the weather to warm up — I'm a hockey girl.

Natia Wong

age 18, Calgary

A: Soccer. I've always been into the sport.

Andrew Black

age 22, Halifax

A: I'm looking forward to hiking and camping again. I just don't like pavement.

Kelly Soucie

age 22, Hull, Que.

A: Being able to walk outside or rollerblade. I like the fresh air and finally being outdoors again.



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### In brief

**WIRELESS** Telus Corp. plans to spend \$500 million this year on building out telecom infrastructure in its home province of British Columbia, it said yesterday. Spending will focus mostly on advanced wireless and wireline broadband technology. **REUTERS**

### U.S. Congress eyes bonus surtax

**WASHINGTON** Some members of Congress yesterday proposed slapping a surtax on bonuses paid to executives at American International Group Inc. amid outrage over the large payouts. **REUTERS**

Michigan Democratic

# Loans linked to looks?

## Trustworthy appearance key to borrowing: Study

**A credit score can tell a lender a lot about a prospective borrower, but so can the borrower's looks, a new study says.**

People who are perceived to be trustworthy are more likely to have a higher credit score and pay lower interest rates on loans, and are less likely to default, according to the study by Rice University in Houston, Texas.

Even when hard facts such as credit scores are available, people rely on an assessment of trustworthiness to decide whether to make a loan. Researchers studied members of Prosper.com, an online lending site where people looking for loans are matched up with individual lenders. A team of 25 people was hired to rate the Prosper.com loan applicants' trustworthiness on a scale of one to five using only the photographs of the borrowers. Those judged to be trustworthy by the team were more likely to get a loan from Prosper.com lenders and tended to have a credit score about 20 points higher than those determined to be untrustworthy, the researchers found. **REUTERS**

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**Anheuser-Busch ending sponsorship of hot rod racing**  
Brewer Anheuser-Busch InBev will discontinue its sponsorship of the National Hot Rod Association after this season. **REUTERS**

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# IMF sees contraction

Global economy predicted to shrink 0.6% in '09

**The International Monetary Fund expects the global economy to contract 0.6 per cent this year, according to forecasts provided yesterday by an IMF official at a conference in Lisbon.**

Teresa Ter-Minassian, an adviser to IMF managing

director Dominique Strauss-Kahn, told reporters the figure was likely to be released shortly by the IMF. It compares with the IMF's last official forecast for the global economy, released in January, which pointed to global growth of 0.5 per cent.

The U.S. economy is seen shrinking 2.6 per cent this year, compared with a January forecast of a 1.6 per cent contraction.

The euro zone economy is expected to contract 3.2 per cent and Japan's by five per cent, she said.

REUTERS

## Dell unveils world's thinnest laptop

**TECHNOLOGY** Dell Inc. unveiled its "luxury" Adamo laptop yesterday, calling it the world's thinnest notebook as it seeks to compete in the high-end ultra-portable market defined by Apple Inc.'s MacBook Air.

The sleek, aluminum-encased notebook is 0.65-inches thick and comes with a 13.4-inch screen and a 128-gigabyte solid-state drive.

Starting at \$1,999 US, the Adamo is positioned as Dell's new high-end brand. Another configuration will sell for \$2,699.

REUTERS

## Business in brief

**CONSTRUCTION** Caterpillar Inc., the world's largest maker of construction and mining equipment, notified an additional 2,454 workers in the U.S. yesterday that they were

losing their jobs.

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Houston Rockets forward Carl Landry was shot in the leg while driving near his home early Tuesday morning. The injury to his leg was minor, and the team says the player was treated at a hospital and released. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

# Sports

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## Brodeur passes Roy

Martin Brodeur, left, is now the NHL's all-time winningest netminder. Brodeur made 30 saves last night to help the New Jersey Devils defeat the Chicago Blackhawks 3-2. The 36-year-old Brodeur notched the 552nd win of his illustrious career to surpass Patrick Roy for the most victories in league history. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

# Oilers end skid with win over Blues

## NHL RESULT

Blues 1 Oilers 2 (SO)



**THE SKINNY:** The Oilers snapped a three-game losing streak and completed a sweep of the Blues in the four-game season series as Dwayne Roloson stopped three shots in the shootout and Ales Kotalik scored the only goal. The win and the extra point moves the Oilers two points up on the Blues.

**THE QUOTE:** "I'm healthy. I'm getting time off," said Roloson, discounting the significance of making 25 straight starts. "Like I tell the young guys, 'Realize we're liv-

ing a dream here.' There's not too many people who can say they go to work every day loving what they do."

**THE BIG PLAY:** Kotalik, pointless in five games since being acquired at the trade deadline, tucked a backhand top shelf past Chris Mason in the shootout to decide it.

**20 FOR SOURAY:** Sheldon Souray hit the 20-goal mark for the second time in his career when he opened the scoring on a power play, sifting a slap-shot past Mason 10:29 into the game. Souray has 10 power-play goals.

**IRON MEN:** David Backes, who scored the 1-1 goal for the Blues on a power play, rattled a shot off the post behind Roloson in the second period. Andy

McDonald did likewise in the first period.

**A NEW YEAR:** After a 14-20-3 start in October, November and December, the Blues have surged into contention in 2009. They faced the Oilers with a record of 18-9-5 since Jan. 1.

**SMID BACK IN:** Ladislav Smid, out of action against Colorado with a stiff neck, returned to the blue line, bumping rookie Theo Peckham back into the press box. Smid was paired with Jason Strudwick.

**THE NEXT GAME:** The Oilers face the Avalanche at the Pepsi Center in Denver Thursday.

ROBIN BROWNLEE  
/FOR METRO EDMONTON



Edmonton Oilers goaltender Dwayne Roloson makes a save while the St. Louis Blues' Brad Winchester drives Oiler Ladislav Smid into the net during in Edmonton last night.

DAN RIEDHUBER/REUTERS

## Sports in brief

**BASEBALL** World Series MVP Cole Hamels of the Philadelphia Phillies has no structural damage to his tender left elbow but is not certain to start the season, the team said Tuesday. The 25-year-old pitcher is set to resume training in two days.

**OLYMPICS** Squash should be accepted into the 2016 Olympic program because the sport is economical to host, the president of squash's world governing body said. The International Olympic Committee may introduce two new sports for the 2016 Games. **REUTERS**

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# Metro Drive

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## World Car finalists

Ford Fiesta, Toyota iQ, and Volkswagen Golf VI have been named the finalists for the 2009 World Car Award. The top three entries for the World Car Design of the Year were Citroën C5 Sedan/C5 Tourer, Fiat 500, and Jaguar XF. The winners will be named at the New York International Auto Show April 9.

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# Heading out on hybrid highway

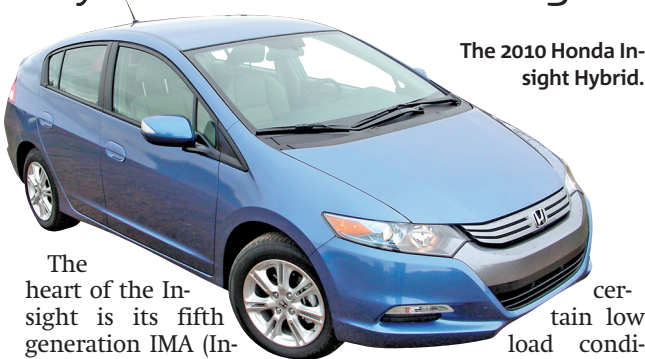
## Honda Insight Hybrid takes the next giant step in environmentally-friendly vehicles

JIM ROBINSON  
for Metro Canada

**Honda has passed the next great milestone on the road to a greener future with the 2010 Insight Hybrid.**

Smaller than a Honda Civic, the Insight five-door hatchback seats five adults, has a flat cargo floor with the back seat folded and can travel up to 640 kilometre on one 40-litre tank of gas.

The Insight doesn't go on sale until Earth Day (April 22) and pricing has yet to be announced, but it will be "competitive" with its main rival, the Toyota Prius.



The 2010 Honda Insight Hybrid.

The heart of the Insight is its fifth generation IMA (Integrated Motor Assist) system that first bowed on the original two-seat Honda Insight a decade ago.

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### 2010 Honda Insight

**Type:** Compact hybrid hatchback  
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**Drive method:** front-engine, front-wheel drive  
**Fuel economy:** (Estimated) 4.8/4.5/4.7L/100 km (58/62/60 mpg) city/highway/combined

ing acceleration, the motor adds power. Under braking or gentle deceleration, it acts as a generator capturing kinetic energy to recharge the battery.

When you come to a stop,

the engine turns off and the Insight runs on the battery. When you move off, the engine comes back on. Honda calls this Idle Stop.

The layout of the instrument panel is like the Civic with an upper tier for the digital speed readout and a lower tier for the tachometer and fuel level. But on the upper level, the speed (shown in numerals) is backed by a colour band that is coloured blue when fuel is being used aggressively. It turns blue-green when the driving style is moderate and then green when fuel is being consumed efficiently. So, at a glance you can tell if you are being good or bad to the

environment.

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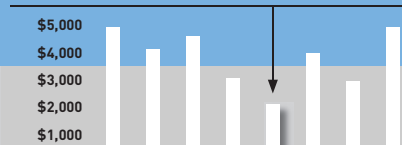
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# Fun with potholes

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It was a dark and stormy night. It was raining so hard everyone had to have their wipers on at top speed — even the pedestrians.

It was already hard to spot the potholes, but now that they were full of water, you couldn't tell what was just a puddle and what was a crater. Up ahead were two lurking potholes. To stay in my lane, I had to drive through at least one. I know I was going to pick the wrong one, just like I always pick the wrong line at McDonald's.

So I drive into this pothole and emerge about 11 minutes later.

OK, slight exaggeration, but it was big. Big enough that when the left front

wheel dropped into it, and the suspension bottomed out with a big THUD, I yelled out some deity's name in vain.

Apparently, this was not the only pothole in the city of Toronto. Myles Currie, the city's director of transportation services, told me that in 2008 the city fixed 277,000 potholes. So far this year, it has already fixed about 75,000, almost 100 per cent more than for the same three-month period in 2008.

Currie "filled me in," pun intended, on some pothole fun facts.

The main contributor to how many potholes are created is the number of freeze-thaw cycles we get. When it's above freezing, melting snow and ice creeps into cracks to get below the road. Then when things freeze shortly after, the below-the-road water becomes

ice, which expands and pushes up the asphalt. Then when vehicles drive over that pushed-up asphalt, it usually breaks, and voila, a pretty pothole.

"We've already had about 17 of those cycles this past winter, that's why we have such an increase in potholes over last year," said Currie. Normally, the peak time for freeze-thaw cycles starts in late February and extends

to the beginning of May (a.k.a. pothole spawning season).

But this winter Toronto has been in juicy freeze-thaw mode since mid-December.

Because the city knew a bumper crop was coming, it increased the number of crews on daily pothole repair duty to 30 or 40 from last year's norm of about 15. A crew is made up of two or three workers.

The repair process is not complex.

"We do our best to sweep out any debris from the hole, then fill it in with hot asphalt, tamp it, then move on to the next one," Currie said. Forty crews can usually fix about 2,500 potholes a day, which works out to about \$25 per repair.

So far, the city has already spent about \$1 million to repair those 75,000 holes in 2009, and figures it spent \$6.9 million to attend to those 277,000 holes that showed up in 2008.

If holes get really big, workers have to square it off, fill it in, and roll it.

"That's why we really want to hear from the public," Currie said. "Because our obvious preference is to get to these potholes when they're smaller."

Michael Goetz has been writing about cars and editing automotive publications for more than 20 years. He lives in Toronto with his family and a neglected 1967 Jaguar E-type.

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Increasing numbers of business travellers are foregoing executive-class seats and flying economy, especially in Europe, the International Air Transport Association said yesterday. **REUTERS**

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## Museum exhibits Old Masters looted by Nazis

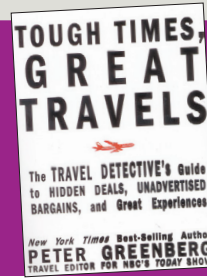
**NEW YORK CITY** Nearly 50 paintings by the Dutch Old Masters seized by the Nazis during the Second World War will be on display at the Jewish Museum in New York until Aug. 2.

The paintings once belonged to Jacques Goud-

stikker, a Jewish art dealer in Amsterdam who died in 1940 fleeing the Nazi invasion of Holland. The exhibit marks the first time since the war they have been displayed as his collection.

Following Goudstikker's

death, 800 paintings in his collection were appropriated by Adolf Hitler's second-in-command, Hermann Goering, some for his private collection as well as some that he gave to Hitler, according to the Jewish Museum. **REUTERS**



## Armchair travel

If you think a vacation is out of reach this year, sit down and have a look at *Tough Times, Great Travels* (Rodale, \$10.95) by Peter Greenberg. The author, who is the travel editor of NBC's *Today Show*, is confident that if you know the ins and outs of scoring travel deals, you'll be able to hit the beach even in the leanest of times. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**



An artist's rendition of Recovery Lounge, a highlight of Hilton Hotel's new Denizen luxury brand.

## Luxury hotel launched

**Hilton Hotels launched its new luxury hotel brand Denizen yesterday, catering to "globally conscious modern travellers of the world."**

The long-awaited announcement comes as luxury

hotels and resorts have fallen out of favour during the deepening recession, as businesses look to cut back on extras and corporate travel planners shy away from frivolous spending.

"While we continue to operate in a challenging macro economic environment, the addition of Denizen Hotels demonstrates our commitment to continuing to invest in our long-term growth," Christopher Nassetta, Hilton's president and chief executive, said in a statement.

Hilton said the new brand "will be highlighted by exceptional design and service at an accessible price point," rounding out the company's Luxury & Lifestyle portfolio, including the Waldorf Astoria, the Waldorf Astoria Collection and Conrad Hotels & Resorts.

The company said Denizen developments are planned in cosmopolitan, urban cities as well as resort destinations. Hilton said active negotiations are underway for developing projects in Abu Dhabi, Beverly Hills, Ca., Buenos Aires, Istanbul, Jerusalem, London, Mumbai and New York. **REUTERS**

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# An unusual sales pitch

The **TravelJunkie**
**Julia Dimon**

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Tourists passing through the streets of Taiwan may notice an unusual cultural phenomenon. It looks like a scene from Amsterdam's Red Light district, with scantily-clad girls soliciting customers from neon-lit boxes. Tourists might assume these ladies are sex workers, but, here on the hazy streets of Taoyan, a city an hour outside of Taipei, the girls aren't selling sex. They're selling betel nut.

Consumed throughout South East Asia, betel nut, from the fruit of the betel nut palm, is a mild stimulant similar to tobacco. Chewing it is a ceremonial tradition, and a habit associated with Taiwanese identity and masculinity. It's common to see its byproducts: Red stained teeth and sidewalks covered in gobs of scarlet spit.

Today, many users are long-distance truck drivers looking for a quick pick-me-up. Though a known carcinogen, the highly demanded product is sold along freeway on-ramps.

To make the product more desirable to consumers, vendors employ young, attractive women known as Binlan Xi Shi or Betel Nut Beauties.

They stand in provocative outfits at roadside booths, selling bags of betel nut to commuters. There are an estimated 60,000 booths, with thousands of girls working in the industry. They are typically 18- to 25-years-old, making \$30,000 to \$40,000 Taiwanese new dollars per month (about \$1,100 to \$1,500).



In Taoyan, tourists will spot the controversial Betel Nut Beauties at roadside kiosks selling the chewing tobacco-like stimulant.

With kiosks concentrated in the Taoyan area, the competition is fierce. The girls are paid based on their number of clients, so there is a financial incentive to dress erotically to attract customers. Costumed in pink lace teddies and leopard print lingerie, many of the girls wear more blue eyeshadow than fabric.

In this relatively conservative country, Betel Nut Beauties have become a controversial topic. Locals argue that their outfits are too sexy, it exploits women and is "a plight on the Taiwanese landscape." Others chalk it up to marketing, likening the beauties to cigarette girls of the 1930s.

Ching Jie Lee, a 22-year-old Betel Nut Beauty, does-

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# Viktor & Rolf aim to revive 'happy travel'

**STYLE** Quirky Dutch fashion label Viktor & Rolf has just designed a range of luxury luggage for Samsonite Black Label.

The playful and extravagant collection is inspired by the theme of "happy travel" and plays up the duo's reputation for the surreal and theatrical.

"Over the years, travel

has become so difficult," Viktor Horsting explains. "We wanted to recapture a more childlike feeling of travel."

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## Entertainment

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# The recession goes on tour

BRYAN BORZYKOWSKI  
for Metro Canada



**When U2 put out an announcement about their North American tour recently, there was one detail in the press release that stood out: \$30 tickets.**

It's a move, the band's manager Paul McGuinness said, that was designed to "ensure that U2 fans can purchase a great priced ticket with a guaranteed great view."

While that's a welcomed gesture from thousands of followers who are struggling to make ends meet during this recession, it could have also been a way to make sure the band's tour will be a sold out event.

It's likely U2 would have sold plenty of tickets anyway, and many seats are either \$55 or \$85, but they're not the only act that seems nervous about touring during this major economic downturn.

"We're seeing plenty of reaction to the economy in terms of pricing, from lay-away plans at the festivals to packaging of artists, to multi-tiered pricing," says Billboard Magazine's Ray Waddell.

So far, however, touring hasn't suffered. Waddell says this year looks "very solid" so far, as huge acts like Billy Joel, Taylor Swift and Nickelback are hitting the road. But, Waddell

cautions, "There will be

**"We're seeing plenty of reaction to the economy in terms of pricing."** Ray Waddell, Billboard Magazine

some impact at some point from unemployment and fear."

While mainstream musicians such as Britney Spears might still bring in the big bucks, it's mid-range groups and even indie bands that could suffer.

Michael Hershfield, CEO of Toronto-based peer-to-peer ticket brokerage LiveSutub, says more and more independent acts tour these days and that has saturated the market. "Because of that," he says, "when consumers' wallets are tight they're not going to go out as many nights as they used to. So indie bands are feeling it."

"I haven't noticed anything yet," says Steven Himmelfarb, a Toronto booker who represents smaller acts like Tokyo Police Club. "All the cheaper ticket

shows — \$10 to \$20 — I have not noticed any difference.

### Riding the Recession

There is a looming fear that might change instantly though.

If touring acts aren't feeling the recession yet, some venues are. In Halifax the legendary Marquee Club — the place where Sloan got their start — closed down in January. "It has been vastly unprofitable," owner Victor Syperrek told CBC News late last year.

Waddell thinks more venues could shutter their doors too. He points to Toad's Place, a famous venue in Virginia, as a sign that some clubs just can't beat the recession.

"There is no substitute for 'brand equity,' but love and history can't keep the doors open," he explains.

Clubs might be at risk, but it's the summer festival that could suffer the most. There's a real chance that big name concerts like Chicago's Lollapalooza or the Warped Tour could see sponsorship pulled as more companies cut back on marketing, and ticket prices aren't cheap.

"Festivals are the most nervous," says Himmelfarb. "They've been cutting back, but because they're trying to build a brand, it's hard for them to take a year off and just duck the recession."

Clearly, many bands will feel some financial frustration this year, but if an act is really good they should have nothing to worry about. "When a band is hot, a band is hot," says Himmelfarb. "And acts with a lot of buzz always do the best on the road."



Tickets for U2's upcoming tour are selling for as little as \$30.

Next Great PM crowned

JON TATTRIE  
for Metro Canada

The competition to be named Canada's Next Great Prime Minister has come down to the final four.

Alex Trebek will host a panel of former prime ministers Kim Campbell, Joe Clark, Paul Martin and Brian Mulroney on CBC TV tonight.

Along with the studio audience, they will decide who is named winner: Calgary's Amy Robichaud, Toronto's David Suk, Montreal's Gabriel Bran Lopez or Robert Marsh of Dartmouth, N.S. The four survived a political boot camp of media scrums, debates and mock Canada-U.S. conflicts to earn a spot in the final.

"Boot camp was an amazing experience," said Robichaud, who's in her fourth year studying political science and public administration at the University of Ottawa. "Brian Mulroney is a huge person — physically and intellectually. (The four) just exude leadership. It was intimidating, but also inspiring."

On TV

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Outspoken fashionista silenced

RAFAEL BRUSILOV  
for Metro Canada

One draped skirt too many got Vancouver designer Genevieve Graham sent home from Project Runway Canada last night.

Designers had to create a dress for top Canadian model Coco Rocha to wear to a red carpet event during New York fashion week.

The judges thought Graham's silky, gold and crème coloured dress was

too demure and "safe" for a model of Rocha's stature to wear. While host Iman praised Graham as a

Genevieve Graham designer, she also said the judges were tired of seeing the same draped-skirt designs from her, challenge after challenge, sending her home.

Graham, 31, believes the judges didn't necessarily

understand her ideas and she feels proud to have stayed true to her own design vision on the show.

"The judges didn't get my style at all but I wasn't going to change what I do. I wasn't willing to compromise my work," she said.

Graham sparred verbally with judges in several episodes, often dismissing their criticisms outright, and her defensive attitude ultimately didn't endear her to them in the long run, something she's fine with.

"Fashion has a lot of personal preference — that's why I chose to take what the judges said with a grain of salt. I think they definitely have their aesthetic favourites," Graham said.

With her barbed, camera-ready denunciations of other designers' dresses and cocky attitude to her own designs, Graham didn't shy away from speaking her mind on the show. While Graham insists she's not the ice queen some people have made her out

to be, she makes no apologies for sticking to her guns.

"I wish they had shown me smiling and laughing more because I do have a really soft side. But at the end of the day, I am really confident in my work. You have to be confident in this industry or you can't survive — it's really cutthroat," Graham said.

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Canada's Next Great Prime Minister

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	3	KHQ	- 370	News (N)	Be-Millionaire	Jeopardy! (N)	Wheel-Fortune	The Chopping Block		Life "3 Women" (N)		Law & Order
	4	CBXT	- 307	Coronation St.	Jeopardy! (N)	Next Great Prime Minister		Being Erica (N) (DVS)		CBC News: The National		The Hour
	6	KREM	- 372	News (N)	Bulldog Mad.	The Doctors (N)		Old Christine	Gary Unmarr	Criminal Minds (N)		CSI: NY
	7	CKEM	241 347	Law & Order: SVU		Murdoch Mysteries		The Chopping Block (N)		Nip/Tuck		Your City
	8	CITV	240 339	ET Canada	Entertainment	(8:02) Life on Mars		Lie to Me (HDTV) (N)		Life "3 Women" (N)		News Hour
	11	OMNI	- -	Two/Half Men	The Simpsons	News		News		The Simpsons	King	Metropia
	12	CBXFT	119 705	Virginie (SC)	L'Épicerie	Le Match des étoiles (N) (SC)		Les Invincibles (N) (SC)		Le Téléjournal et Les Nou		Le Galala
	13	KXLY	- 371	4 News at 6	4 News at 6:30	Entertainment	The Insider (N)	Scrubs	Better Off Ted	Lost "Namaste" (N)		Life on Mars
	16	KAYU	- 373	The Simpsons	Raymond	Two/Half Men	Two/Half Men	Lie to Me (HDTV) (N)		American Idol (HDTV)		News (N)
	19	CHTV	- -	The Insider (N)	E! News	Janice Dickinson Story		Knight Rider (N)		Janice Dickinson Modeling		News (N)
	22	KSPS	- 374	NewsHour With Jim Lehrer		Journey to Planet Earth		American Masters		Pioneers of Primetime		
	24	WTVS	- 364	(6) Great Performances		Heart Healthy Yoga: Yoga		Yanni Voices: Live From the Forum in Acapulco		Own True Love		
	15	CBCE	502 -	CBC News: The National		Tropic of Capricorn		CBC News: The National		CBC News: The National		Capricorn
	21	TWN	505 398	(5) EarthWatch One		EarthWatch One		EarthWatch Two				
	27	CNN	500 500	Larry King Live (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 (HDTV)				Larry King Live		Cooper 360
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sports	20	TSN	400 400	NHL Hockey Dallas Stars at Calgary		Flames. (HDTV) (Live)				SportsCentre	Score Golf	Billiards
	23	net	408 418	Baseball: Teams TBA		Sportsnet Connected		Baseball Teams to Be Announced.				
	47	SPEED	417 406	Pinks (HDTV)	Drag Race	Drag Race	Wrecked	Pimp My Ride	Pass Time	Pinks Outtakes	Pinks Outtakes	Pinks (HDTV)
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	9	EDACC	267 351	Alberta Primetime (Live)		Law & Order "Take-Out"		America's Next Top Model (N)		Lost "Namaste" (N)		Primetime
	14	YTV	552 543	March Break	March Break	In Real Life		Malcolm-Mid.	Futurama	Karaoke Star Junior		Falcon Beach
	17	TREE	553 546	Little Bear	Bucket-Dinos	Comfy Couch	Big & Small	Max & Ruby	Babar	Backyardigans	Dora-Explorer	Go, Diego, Go!
	42	TOON	555 545	Ben 10: Alien	Johnny Test	Totally Spies	Total Drama	6TEEN	6TEEN	Futurama	American Dad	Robot Chicken
	45	FAM	557 541	Han. Montana	Sonny Chance	Wizards-Place	Han. Montana	Zack & Cody	Latest Buzz	Wizards-Place	Life Derek	Ned's School
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	18	CMT	575 583	Reba	Reba	Hope & Faith	Hope & Faith	Three Chords	Sessions	Home Improve.	Home Improve.	Reba
	25	A&E	615 520	Bounty Hunter	Bounty Hunter	Bounty Hunter	Exterminators	Exterminators	Exterminators	Bounty Hunter	Bounty Hunter	Bounty Hunter
	26	MMM	571 581	Confessions of a Teen Idol		Confessions of a Teen Idol		Revival	Back In	Party of Five		Confessions
	29	FOOD	603 561	Iron Chef America		Ultimate Recipe Showdown		Restaurant Makeover		Challenge		Iron Chef Am.
	31	SHOW	617 522	Wife Swap		The Outer Limits		Cashing In	About a Girl	G-Spot	Cock'd Gunns	Big Love
	32	DISC	520 505	Deadliest Catch		Mayday		Daily Planet		MythBusters		Dirty Jobs
	33	SLICE	601 562	End of Leash	End of Leash	Kimora: Fab	Kardashians	ET Canada	Til Debt-Part	Real Housewives OC		Trading Sp
	34	W	602 567	Style by Jury	Style by Jury	Will & Grace	Friends	Grocery	Grocery Bag	Supersize vs. Superskinny		Stuck (N)
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	38	SPIKE	628 584	UFC Fight Night				CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.		CSI: NY "Officer Blue"		Disorderly
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	43	SPACE	627 528	Primeval		Stormworld (N)	Grand Star	Stargate SG-1 "Prodigy"		Star Trek: Next Gener.		Trek: Voyager
	44	WPCH	294 650	(6) Galaxy Quest		Fresh Prince	Seinfeld	Family Guy	Family Guy	Galaxy Quest (1999, Science Fiction)		Bounty Hunter
	46	OLN	411 457	Mantracker	Mantracker	Bounty Hunter	Bounty Hunter	Survivorman Costa Rica.		Mantracker	Mantracker	Bounty Hunter
	48	TROP	619 525	What Happen?	What Happen?	Vanity Insanity	Ad Persuasion	Ad Persuasion	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Raymond	Family Guy
	50	STAR	621 527	Blush: Make-Up Artist		The Tonight Show-Jay Leno		TMZ	etalk	The View (HDTV)		Ellen Show
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	65	TLN	700 800	(6) Linea di Confin (Italian).		Raymond	Raymond	George Lopez	George Lopez	The Sopranos (SS)		David Rocco
	92	APTN	269 350	APTN National News: Contact		Caughnaw		Canadian Geographic		Miywayawin	Guides	Wings-Canada
	93	VISION	261 394	SOUL "Exile" (N)		Driven-Vision	Supernatural	Poltergeist: The Legacy		Escape From Wildcat Canyon (1998)		
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	102	CPAC	512 396	(6:30) Primetime Politics			Revue	Question Period		Prime.-Politics	Primetime Politics	
	103	VIVA	526 507	Medium		Mediums	Psychic Detect	Mediums	Encounters	Judging Amy		Medium
	106	RDI	126 730	Le Téléjournal (SC)		RDI en direct		Le Téléjournal (SC)		Le Journal RDI	Le National	Le Téléjournal



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Taylor Swift has no problems talking about dating — and boys — but don't ask her about sex. "I think when you talk about virginity and sex publicly, people just automatically picture you naked," the 19-year-old singer tells Allure for its April issue. **PEOPLE.COM**

**Swift doesn't discuss sex**

## Celebrity Buzz

# Winehouse pleads not guilty

**PEOPLE** Amy Winehouse cracked her knuckles, adjusted her beehive — and to the delight of the 20 reporters in a London courtroom — spoke clearly from behind a clear plastic shield on the stand Tuesday morning, people.com reports.

Uttering only a few lines during a 15-minute hearing in the City of Westminster Magistrates' Court, Winehouse proudly proclaimed her name as Amy Jade Civil — her married name. And, leaning forward to speak through a gap in the plastic, she pleaded "not guilty" when a charge of common assault against Sherene Flash was put to her.

The assault is alleged to have happened in September 2008 in Berkeley Square, London, at a high society ball.

Winehouse, 25, was dressed in a summery floral print, low-cut dress, which revealed her many tattoos and her bra strap, and four-inch pink stilettos. Asked at one point, as she fidgeted with her hair, if she was okay, she turned a security guard and said, "Me? I'm alright."

Watching the proceedings from a few feet away was her father Mitch and a minder, who had driven her down to the court from her new home in Barnet, north London. District judge and chief magistrate Timothy Workman set a trial date of July 23 and Winehouse was remanded on bail.

Leaving the hearing, the singer strutted and posed for the gathered photographers before being whisked away.

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# Natasha's brain injury

**ACCIDENT** Actress Natasha Richardson, a member of Britain's Redgrave theatrical dynasty, was severely injured while skiing at a Canadian resort and was returned to New York yesterday with her husband, actor Liam Neeson, according to media reports.

The New York Post, New York Daily News and London's Evening Standard newspapers all said Richardson, 45, the daughter of the actress and activist Vanessa Redgrave, suffered a life-threatening brain injury. But the severity of her condition could not be confirmed as her British and U.S. representatives repeatedly declined comment.

Richardson was skiing at the Mont Tremblant resort, about 75 miles (120 km) north of Montreal, when

she fell on Monday during a private skiing lesson. The resort said the actress appeared to be in good condition after the fall but later felt unwell. She was taken first to a local hospital and then to the Montreal hospital.

The Toronto Star said one of its reporters saw Richardson, wrapped in blankets and lying on a stretcher with Neeson nearby as she was placed in an ambulance outside Hospital du Sacre-Coeur where she had been taken. The Canadian Broadcasting Corp. said Richardson left Canada on Tuesday afternoon on a private plane, accompanied by medical staff.

**REUTERS**



# Goldstein suing jet company for damages

**LEGAL** DJ AM, Adam Goldstein, has taken a leaf out of mate Travis Barker's book in suing the company who owned the Learjet which almost became his fiery coffin last year, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The two friends were travelling back to Los Angeles from South Carolina when the jet failed to clear a runway, crashed and burst into flames.

Although the pair survived the crash,

their four friends weren't so lucky, and now the music men are determined to put things right in their memory, and gain some compensation for the third degree burns they both suffered.

In new legal papers, obtained by TMZ, Goldstein is calling for \$10 million US in damages for medical bills, lost earnings and profits and other economic damages. He wants another \$10 million US for mental and physical pain and suffering.

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# Surgery before Jackson show?

**IMAGE** Before Michael Jackson takes the stage this summer for his farewell shows at London's O2 Arena, he's allegedly making a stop at the doctor's office.

"Michael has consulted some of the world's best cosmetologists and surgeons in preparation for this comeback," writer Ian Halperin tells the Sun. Jackson's reps deny the claims, but then again they also say he's never had done is one nose job to help him breathe.

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# Mayer Twitters about Jen

**PEOPLE** As he copes with another split from Jennifer Aniston, John Mayer has turned to Twitter to express his thoughts, usmagazine.com reports.

"This heart didn't come with instructions," he posted on Monday. Mayer's heart has been all over the place during his time with Aniston, 40: They broke up two times in 13 months.

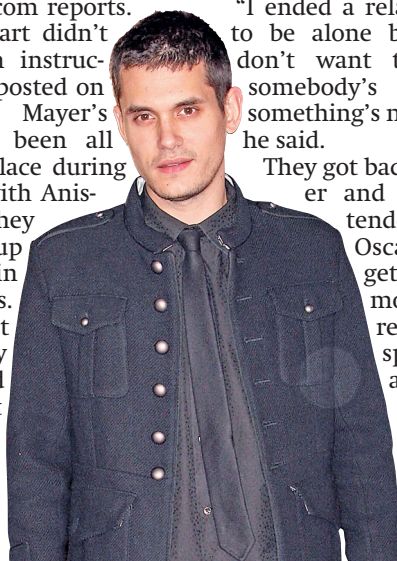
In August 2008, they first called it quits. At the time Mayer blabbed

about the split to paparazzi outside his NYC gym, stressing that he was the one who broke things off.

"I ended a relationship to be alone because I don't want to waste somebody's time if something's not right," he said.

They got back together and even attended the Oscars together last month, and recently split again.

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# Competition still on, says Tyra

**CAREER** After an New York City casting call for America's Next Top Model turned ugly Saturday as hundreds of hopefuls were caught in a stampede resulting in three arrests and six injuries, the show's host and executive producer Tyra Banks tells aspiring models that they will still have a chance to compete, usmagazine.com reports.

"We are doing everything we can to make sure that all the girls who weren't seen, get an opportunity to audition," Banks said in a statement Monday.

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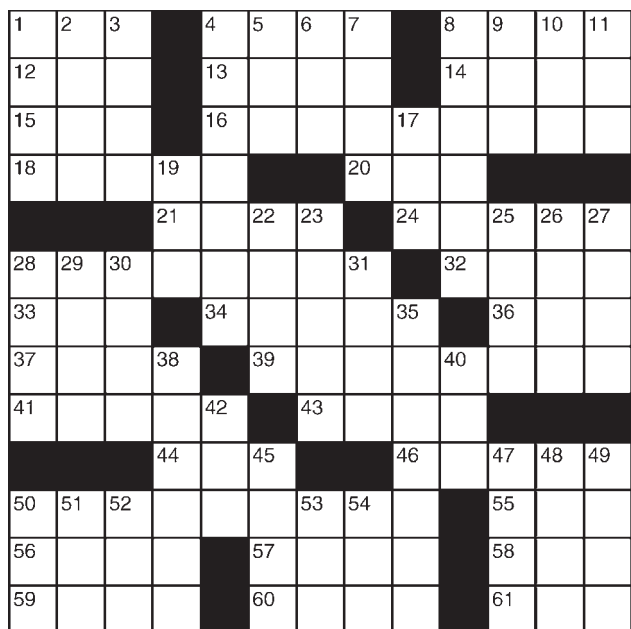
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**Michele McDougall, Weather Specialist & Host – Breakfast Television**  
 “My favourite part is reporting the weather. It fascinates me, and as we know around here, it’s always changing, keeping forecasters on their toes.” **WEEKDAYS AT 6 A.M.**

## Take Five



### Crossword across

- |                           |                       |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 Help                    | 36 Born               |
| 4 Site of Apra Harbor     | 37 Bedouin            |
| 8 Roosevelt successor     | 39 “Gran Torino” star |
| 12 Omega preceder         | 41 Minion of Satan    |
| 13 Incite                 | 43 Approach           |
| 14 Shrek, for one         | 44 Existed            |
| 15 Golfer Ernie           | 46 U-Haul competitor  |
| 16 Classic Cadillac       | 50 Tinseltown         |
| 18 “Unleaded” brew        | 55 Water (Fr.)        |
| 20 Family                 | 56 Ontario neighbor   |
| 21 Jamie of “M*A*S*H”     | 57 Florence’s river   |
| 24 Turning point          | 58 Pompous sort       |
| 28 Robin Hood’s forest    | 59 Require            |
| 32 Green land             | 60 Verse              |
| 33 Whammy                 | 61 Allow              |
| 34 Some wrestling matches |                       |

### Crossword down

- |                      |                  |                    |
|----------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Mimicked           | 19 A cont.       | 38 Partook at      |
| 2 Last word in       | 22 Libertine     | kegling            |
| Gilligan’s theme     | 23 Typeface      | 40 Distort         |
| 3 Platter            | option           | 42 Aye canceler    |
| 4 Hearty laughs      | 25 Provider of   | 45 Trade           |
| 5 It starts with     | veritas          | 47 Option from     |
| “http:”              | 26 Sandwich      | Howie              |
| 6 Time of your       | treat            | 48 Facility        |
| life?                | 27 Prepared to   | 49 Oxidation       |
| 7 Timid              | drive            | 50 Coop dweller    |
| 8 Local, to a colle- | 28 Roe source    | 51 Raw rock        |
| gian                 | 29 Present       | 52 Falsehood       |
| 9 Past               | 30 Physical      | 53 Plata’s partner |
| 10 To and —          | 31 Tablespoonful | 54 Inseparable     |
| 11 Kennedy or        | or tablet        |                    |
| Koppel               | 35 Fame, in 50-  |                    |
| 17 Gratuity          | Across           |                    |

### PREVIOUS DAY’S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:



7	1	8	6	2	5	4	9	3
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9	2	5	3	7	4	1	6	8
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4	5	6	7	3	2	8	1	9
2	9	1	8	5	6	3	4	7
6	3	2	5	4	8	9	7	1
5	8	9	1	6	7	2	3	4
1	4	7	2	9	3	5	8	6

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<b>SUDOKU SOLVE TIME:</b>	17-21 min .....	Smart
Under 13 min .....	21-25 min .....	Not bad
13-17 min .....	25+ min .....	Keep practising

### Metro Recipe of the Day



### Blue Cheese-stuffed Burgers

**INGREDIENTS:**  
 3/4 lb (375 g) extra-lean ground beef  
 1 cup (250 ml) quick-cooking oats (uncooked)  
 2 tbsp (25 ml) ketchup  
 2 tsp (10 ml) Dijon mustard  
 1/4 tsp (6 ml) black pepper  
 1/4 cup (50 ml) crumbled blue cheese  
 4 hamburger buns  
 Romaine lettuce leaves  
 1 firm-ripe tomato, sliced  
 1 small red onion, sliced

**METHOD:**  
 1. Preheat broiler. Mix beef, oats, ketchup, mustard, and black pepper in large bowl until well

blended. Divide into 8 equal pieces and flatten into thin patties.  
 2. Place 1 tbsp (15 mL) of crumbled cheese in the centre of each of 4 patties.  
 3. Top with remaining patties and pinch edges to seal.  
 4 Broil 4 inches from the heat until well done — 4 to 6 minutes per side. Serve burgers on buns with lettuce, tomato and red onion.

**SERVES 4**



## Horoscopes

### AVATAR VENUS

**ARIES**  
**MARCH 21-APRIL 20**  
 A good-looking guy has to pay the piper. Your social choices are affected by work. A revelation is made during a reconciliation.



**TAURUS**  
**APRIL 21-MAY 21**  
 Somebody’s desires are aroused by a chance remark. Don’t reach for a secret too soon. Try not to wear out your welcome.



**GEMINI**  
**MAY 22-JUNE 21**  
 Don’t let your dreams be threatened by the light of reality. You’re aware of someone’s uneasiness. Understand the spaces between friends.



**CANCER**  
**JUNE 22-JULY 22**  
 You’ll clash with an idiot. Prepare to be the life of the party. A passionate person will calmly break someone’s heart.



**LEO**  
**JULY 23-AUG 23**  
 Someone celebrates getting a generous reward. You could fall into a world of love. There’ll be no time left for jagged nerves.



**VIRGO**  
**AUG 24-SEPT 22**  
 Some hills are too steep to climb. Say something before you leave. A problematical person forces unwanted changes.



**LIBRA**  
**SEPT 23-OCT 23**  
 Commitments are made and surprises arise. A friend makes a stand about emotional obstacles. Your situation becomes an inspiration.



**SCORPIO**  
**OCT 24-NOV 22**  
 Be sure you know what you’re doing. A friend finds the time to see the truth. A car is nearly involved in an accident.



**SAGITTARIUS**  
**NOV 23-DEC 21**  
 Someone finds something painful. Don’t look down on a last chance meeting. A rough guy is bothering a bad-tempered person.



**CAPRICORN**  
**DEC 22-JAN 20**  
 A man comes to you with his problems. Don’t intimidate those who seek peace. An ailing friend says something stupid.



**AQUARIUS**  
**JAN 21-FEB 18**  
 A cheater’s anxiety attack makes you suspicious. A grouchy friend claims to have a great deal. A humble person is giddy with delight.



**PISCES**  
**FEB 19-MARCH 20**  
 An absent minded lover shows up too late to meet. Impossible things will occur. Keep quiet when a bully is near.



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